Docket No.: 1734.1002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Kota ARIYAMA

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Serial No. 09/421,005

Group Art Unit: 2112

Confirmation No. 3533

Filed: October 20, 1999

Examiner. Paul R. Myers

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on July 29, 2004. A Petition for One Month Extension of Time, together with the requisite fee is enclosed, thereby extending the response due date to Sunday, August 29, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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S&H Form: (10/03) 1734,1002 Attorney Docket No. 09/421,005 Application Number REPLY/AMENDMENT October 20, 1999 Filing Date **FEE TRANSMITTAL** Kota ARIYAMA First Named Inventor 2181 Group Art Unit Paul R. Myers \$110.00 **Examiner Name** AMOUNT ENCLOSED FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03) Highest Number Number Claims Remaining CLAIMS AS Calculations Extra Previously Pald For Rate After Amendment **AMENDED** 0.00 X \$ 18.00 = 0 20 = TOTAL CLAIMS 14 X \$ 86.00 = 0.00 0 7 = INDEPENDENT 6 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of July 29, 2004, petition is hereby made for an 110.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed for 1 month (\$110): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00) Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) 110.00 Total of above Calculations = Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) 110.00 TOTAL FEES DUE = (1) If early (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change ontry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". METHOD OF PAYMENT Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. 図 No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). GENERAL AUTHORIZATION If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit \boxtimes any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: 19-3935 Deposit Account No. STAAS & HALSEY LLP Deposit Account Name The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including 冈 any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP 48,702 Reg. No. James T. Strom Typed Name 30 August 2004 Date Signature CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION Staas & Halsey LLF I hereby certify that this correspondence is being transmitted via facsimile to: Commissioner for Patents. P.O. BOX 1450 Alexandrics, VA 22313-1450 on WAN OF 20 00

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